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Applicant's Amendment filed 4/17/08 to the election of Species II, identifying figures 2a and 2b (claims 1, 3, 6 and 7), filed 10/23/2007, has been acknowledged.

Claims 3, 52 and 53 have been cancelled.

This application contains claims 2, 4, 5 and 8-51 drawn to an invention non-elected without traverse.

This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters: This application contains claims 2, 4, 5 and 8-51 drawn to an invention non-elected without traverse. A complete response to the final rejection must include cancellation of non-elected claims or other appropriate action (see 37 CFR § 1.144 & MPEP § 821.01).

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 25 USPQ 74, 453 O.G. 213, (Comm'r Pat. 1935).

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